

18. A process as claimed in claim 16, wherein the decomposition of  $N_2O$  is carried out at from 600 to 950°C and/or at a pressure in the range from 1 to 15 bar.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to place them in better form for U.S. practice. No new matter has been added. Favorable action on the application is solicited.

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